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SMYRNA POLICE SERGEANT ARRESTED

(Wilmington, DE) Attorney General Carl C. Danberg announced today that Smyrna Police Sergeant Brian Moore was arrested yesterday on the charge of official misconduct. Moore committed an act which constituted an unauthorized exercise of his official functions, knowing that the act was unauthorized. Sgt. Moore instructed an officer of the Clayton Police Department to release a suspect, who was a personal friend of Moore's, without charging the suspect, where there was probable cause to make an arrest.

In a statement, Danberg said. "It is disappointing when any law enforcement officer fails to live up to the confidence placed in them and violates the trust of the public. I am particularly proud of Smyrna Chief Richard Baldwin for immediately initiating a full and proper investigation, and for engaging this office in the proceeding. This matter is particularly egregious because a person was treated differently based on who he knew as opposed to the facts surrounding his conduct. I was raised to believe that justice is supposed to be blind."

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